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COUNTRY JORDAN

REPORT NO. TDCS

SUBJECT GENERAL POLITICAL SITUATION

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1. THERE HAS BEEN NO EVIDENCE THAT APPARENT STATE OF COMPARATIVE CALM IN POLITICAL SITUATION SINCE ARREST AND TRIAL OF SAIDU SHARA IS ANYTHING BUT GENUINE. FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS CONCERN VARIOUS SECTORS OF POLITICAL FIELD IN WHICH SOME MOVEMENT, HOWEVER, HAS TAKEN PLACE.

2. THE GOVERNMENT OF JORDAN (GOJ) HAS GIVEN UP ITS FORMER IDEA OF NEGOTIATING THE RETURN OF HAJ AMIN TO JORDAN. HIS TERMS WERE TOO DEMANDING AND COMPLICATIONS FOREIGNER OUTWEIGHED POSSIBLE BENEFIT. IN FACT SECURITY FORCES HAVE BEEN ORDERED TO INCREASE WATCH ON PEOPLE SUSPECTED OF SUPPORTING HAJ AMIN, PLACES SUSPECTED OF CONCEALING ARMS ARE TO BE SYSTEMATICALLY SEARCHED AND EXTRA CONTROL POINTS TO BE ESTABLISHED ALONG RIVER JORDAN.

3. THE ARREST OF WALID SALAH, PROMINENT WEST BANK LAWYER, WHO OBTAINABLY HIDE ON

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INFORMATION RE HIS CONTACT WITH THE ISRAELIS, WAS PART OF THIS DRIVE AGAINST SUPPORTERS OF HAJ AMIN.

4. A PLAN TO ASSASSINATE HAJ AMIN IS BEING PURSUED BY SENATOR FARID IRINEHO WITH TACIT APPROVAL OF PALACE.

5. DURING FEBRUARY SEVERAL DISCOVERIES WERE MADE OF SMALL QUANTITIES OF ARMS ON WEST BANK. THIS ACTIVITY APPEARS TO DATE FROM TIME QASIM MADE HIS SPEECH SUPPORTING HAJ AMIN AND THE ACTIVITY IS BELIEVED TO BE ON LATTER'S BEHALF. THE SECURITY SERVICE HAS DISCOVERED ONE OF ITS OFFICERS IN NABLUS IS HEAD OF AN ORGANIZATION RUNNING ARMS SMUGGLING FROM SYRIA. THOUGH NAMES AND HIDING PLACES ARE KNOWN, NO ARREST YET MADE.

6. A MEMBER OF THE BAAATH PARTY IN NABLUS, MUHAMMAD ALI TURBEILEH, HAS RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM HIS SUPERIORS THAT ATTACKS AGAINST THE JORDAN COMMUNIST PARTY ARE TO CEASE.

7. FIELD DISSEM: CINC, STATE.

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